

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

LETTER

FROM

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY,

INCLOSING

Copies of letter and petition from certain Boston merchants for an appropriation to establish a light-ship on the Overfalls Shoal.

FEBRUARY 11, 1895.—Referred to the Committee on Commerce and ordered to be printed.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Washington, D. C., February 8, 1895.

SIR: The Department has the honor to inclose, with the suggestion that the papers be referred to the proper committee, a copy of a letter dated February 4, 1895, from Mr. E. R. Sharwood, secretary of the Philadelphia Maritime Exchange, to the inspector of the Fourth light-house district, forwarding a petition (copy also inclosed) from certain merchants of Boston, Mass., for an appropriation for the establishment of a light-ship on the Overfalls Shoal, entrance to Delaware Bay.

Respectfully, yours,

J. G. CARLISLE, *Secretary.*

The VICE-PRESIDENT, *Senate Chamber.*

THE PHILADELPHIA MARITIME EXCHANGE,
Philadelphia, February 4, 1895.

SIR: I have the honor to hand you herewith petition of certain merchants of Boston, Mass., favoring the establishment of a light-ship on the Overfalls Shoal, entrance to Delaware Bay; said petition being addressed to the Light-House Board.

Will you be kind enough to forward the petition to the Light-House Board, with the request that the same be transmitted to the Committee on Commerce of the Senate, who at the present time have before it the sundry civil bill, in which bill an effort is being made to have inserted an item of appropriation of \$70,000 for this light vessel.

I have written each of the signers of the petition asking them to address a letter to their Senators favoring this appropriation, and have already answers from several of them informing me that our request has been complied with.

Yours, very truly,

E. R. SHARWOOD, *Secretary.*

Commander GEO. C. REITER, U. S. N.,
Inspector Fourth Light-House District, Philadelphia.

BOSTON, MASS., *January 15, 1895.*

GENTLEMEN: The undersigned, interested in commerce between Boston and Philadelphia, respectfully request your honorable Board to place a light-ship on the Overfalls Shoal at the entrance to Delaware Bay, to be located at such point as your Department may deem best.

BOSTON AND PHILADELPHIA S. S. Co.

BOSTON TOW BOAT Co.,

ALFRED WINSER, *President.*

L. G. BURNHAM & Co.,

86 State Street.

HALLY & APPLETON,

Agents Red Star Ocean Tugs, 164 State Street.

CHINA MUTUAL INS. Co.,

WM. H. LORD,

Secretary, 70 Kilby Street.

And ten others.

The LIGHT-HOUSE DEPARTMENT,
Washington, D. C.

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